

ZSports Midwest and Benjamin Searcy Preparing for the "Road to Indy"

2010 USF2000 title in focus for last year's F2000 Championship Series Rookie of the Year

Minneapolis, MN (11 March 2010) – ZSports Midwest is pleased to announce its continued relationship with rising American formula car star Benjamin Searcy. The team will test Searcy next week in preparation for the 2010 USF2000 National Championship opener in St. Petersburg. FL. This marks the standout's sophomore season in 2 liter racing.

"We are excited to rejoin ZSports in 2010," said Searcy. "We had a phenomenal rookie season in the F2000 Championship Series, with 3 wins, 4 podiums and 9 top fives in 12 races and the Rookie of the Year title. The crew at ZSports prepares the best cars, and we were comfortable with each other right away in 2009. It feels good to be running with them again in 2010."

On entering the USF2000 National Championship - "The F2000 Championship Series is fantastic - there was stiff competition all season long, and the experience I gained was invaluable. But as we discussed our 2010 options, we decided that the USF2000 program made the most sense for us. The exposure an event like "Road to Indy" opener in St. Pete offers is very exciting. Plus, the Star Mazda Scholarship at the end of the year is very attractive, and we're going for it!"

"We've been looking forward to this all winter," stated team co-owner Ron Boltik. "Steve and I have worked hard getting the cars ready for just such an opportunity. For Ben to be back in the saddle with us is very exciting. We knew a year ago at our Putnam test – his first time in an F2000 car – that he was switched on. He used every inch of the track and took care of the equipment. And he was fast! Last year's results proved it. We're very pleased to be part of Ben's development."

Before Searcy's outstanding 2009 Rookie of the Year season, the Tuscaloosa, AL native racing resume' included a highly successful karting career in ICA and Rotax Max, including a trip to the Rotax Max World Finals in Portugal. Several wins followed in 2008 in Skip Barber cars. For more information on Benjamin or ZSports Midwest, contact ZSports Midwest.

ZSports Midwest (www.zsportsmidwest.com) currently has seats available for USF2000, F2000 Championship Series and select SCCA events. Contact Ron Boltik at ron@zsportsmidwest.com or 612 685 1384 with specific inquiries.